

# EUV Masks: Remaining challenges for HVM

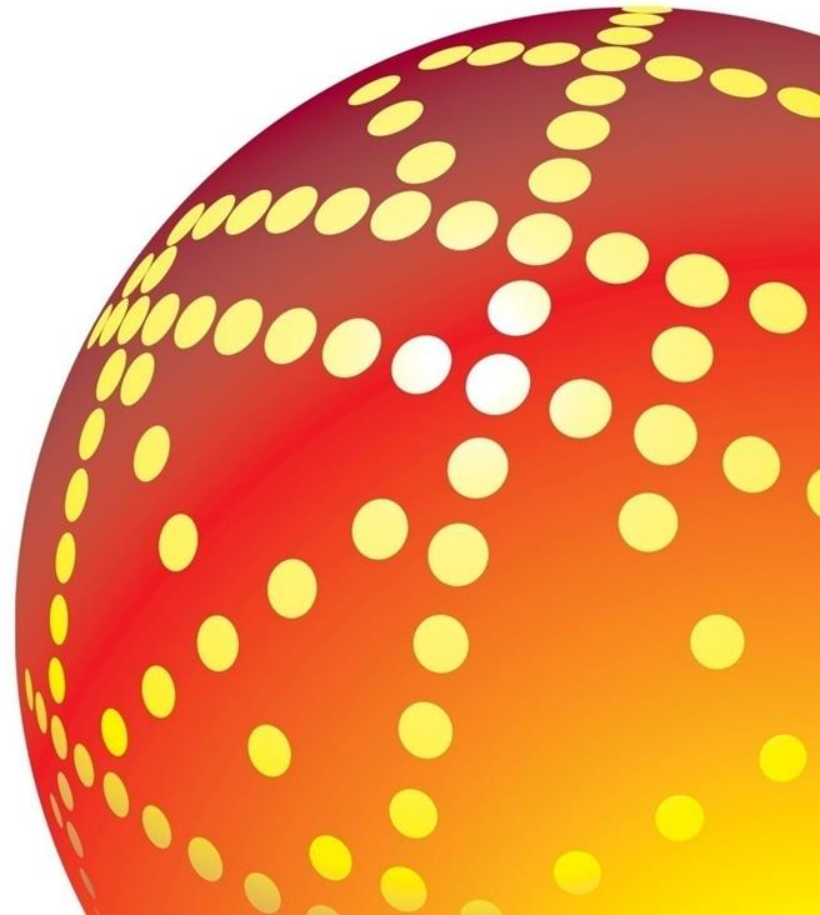
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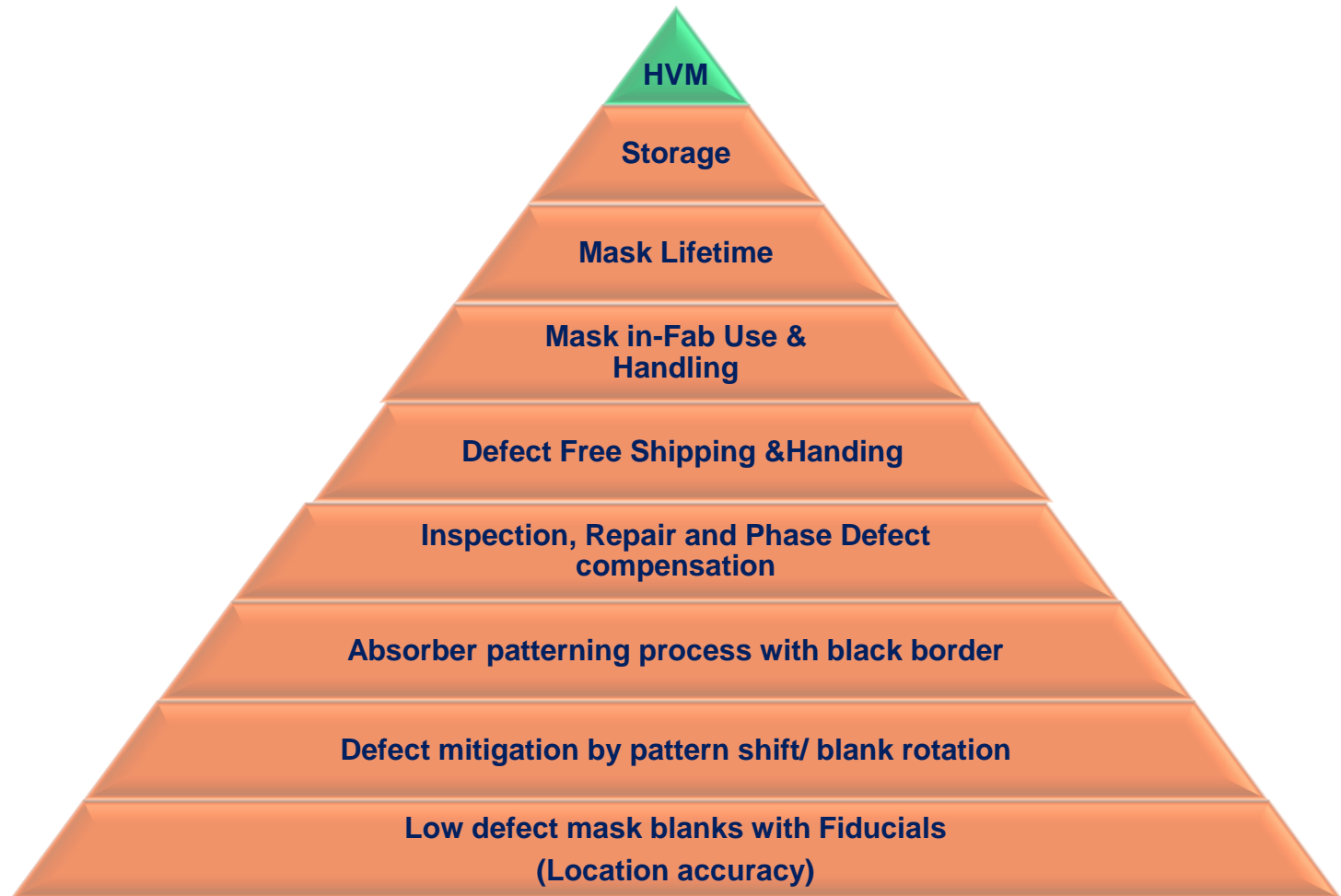
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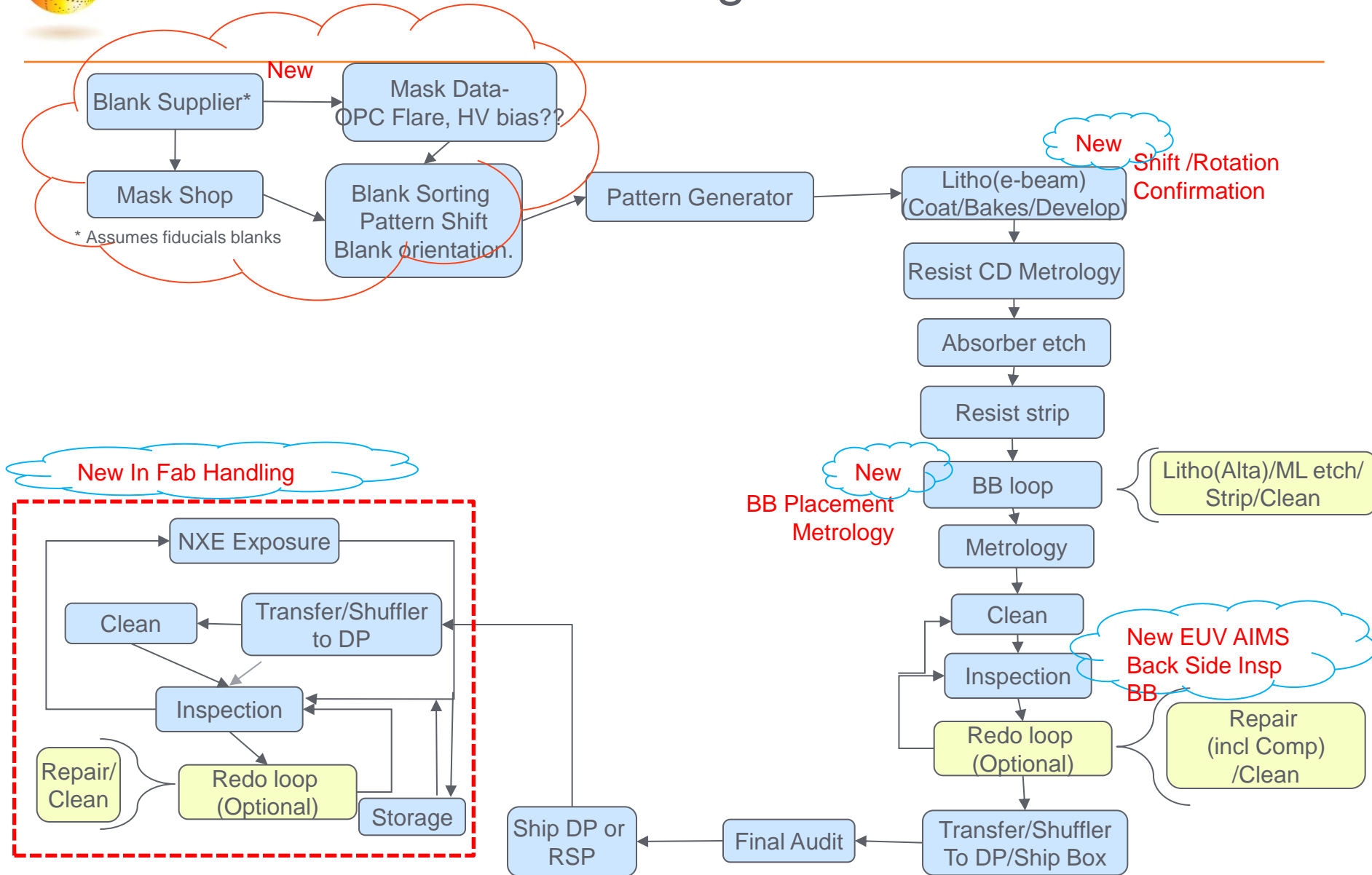
# EUV Masks Challenge Pyramid

Zero defect printability needs a lot of Mask supporting infrastructure





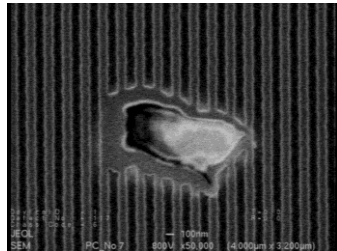
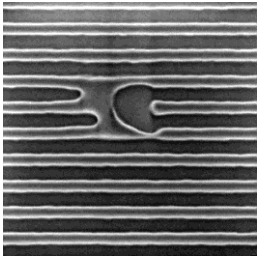
# EUV Mask Manufacturing flow-What is different?





# Mask Blank Gaps/Challenges

- Fiducial Strategy and Blank Supply with fiducials
  - SEMI P-48 task force
- Defect location accuracy relative to fiducials
- Upfront Identification of blank defects that print
- Defects > 100nm
  - Difficult to hide/repair by defect mitigation approach
  - Primary cause is deposition process



## Gaps for Pattern-Shift

- Standardized FM set compatible with Blank defect inspection tools and ebeam writers
- Improved placement accuracy of FM to avoid need for pre-measurement of FM location
- Availability of defect maps relative to FM marks from Blank vendor
- Correction of Defect map to ebeam grid necessary via
  - (1) grid correlation Mask-shop vs. Blank-Vendor or
  - (2) pre-measured FM location provided by Blank Vendor (pre-measurement of FM location at Mask-shop less desirable)
- Setup of automated interface for registration of needed parameter to ebeam writer
- Functionality on ebeam writer to implement pattern-shift relative to FM w/o change of single chip placements (e.g. single shift parameter)

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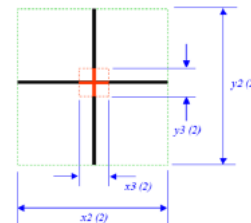
# Fiducial SEMI P-48 draft under reconsideration



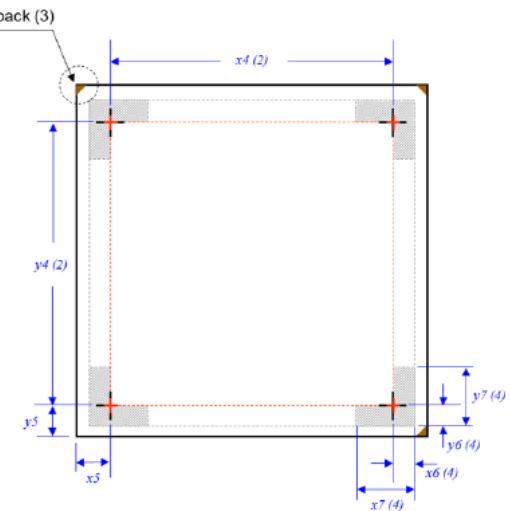
## Revision And Status

### Agreement reached for three (3) changes:

1. Define where vertically in the film stack to pattern markers
2. Remove all small crosses
3. Update current P48 placeholders with proven specifications



New Marker



New layout, with a partial marker at the unbeveled corner.

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# Fiducial SEMI P-48 draft –Supplier prespective

## SEMI P48 revision

AGC agrees with the current SEMI-P48 revision except for cross line depth.  
AGC proposal is 50-200nm, instead of current depth specification (100-200nm).

Figure and table from SEMI P48 revision draft

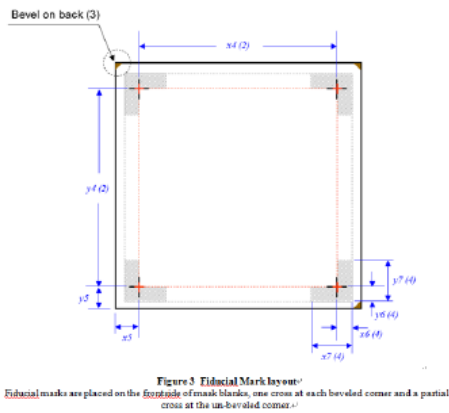


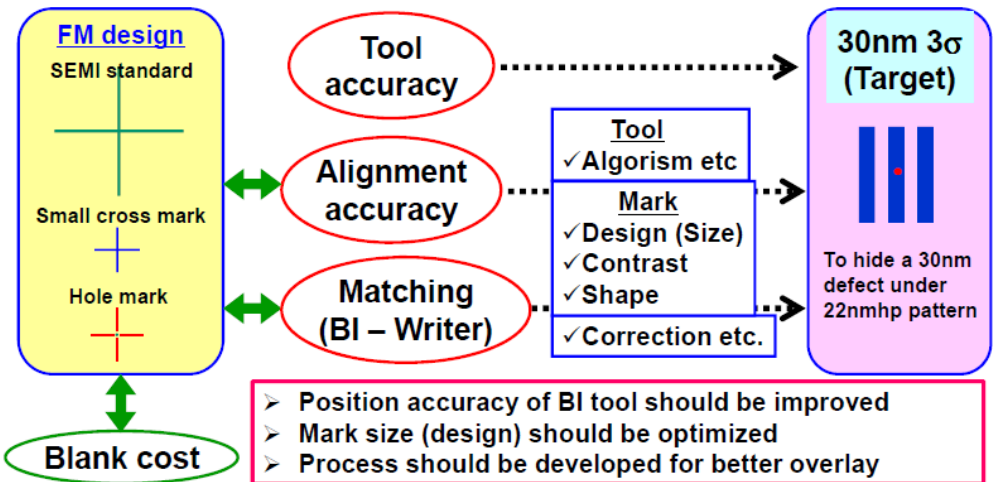
Table 1 Fiducial Mark Specification

Symbol Used	Figure	Value (mm unless specified)	Tolerance (mm unless specified)	Reference Measured From	Feature Measured To
x2, y2	1, 2	0.250	±0.050	One line end of crosses	The other line end of the
x3, y3	1, 2	0.015 (TBD)	±0.001	Boundary of fiducial crosses in ind	
x4, y4	3	136.000	±0.010	Centers of cross	
x5, y5	3	8.000	±0.050	Centers of cross	
x6, y6	3	±2.700		Centers of cross	
x7, y7	3	±5.700		Outer lines of cross	
FIDPS Optical quality		≤0.015/136.000 (≤110 μrad)		Any one side of	
FIDPS Parallelism		≤0.200/136.000 (≤14.7 μrad)		Any one side of	
Cross line depth		100–200 nm (TBD)	TBD	Top of cross line	
Cross line sidewall angle		TBD	TBD	Reference to the blanks	
Reflectivity differential		≥13% (TBD)		Delta between top and bottom	

**Needs more development toward 30nm accuracy**

Current status: \* \* nm

Optimization/Improvement



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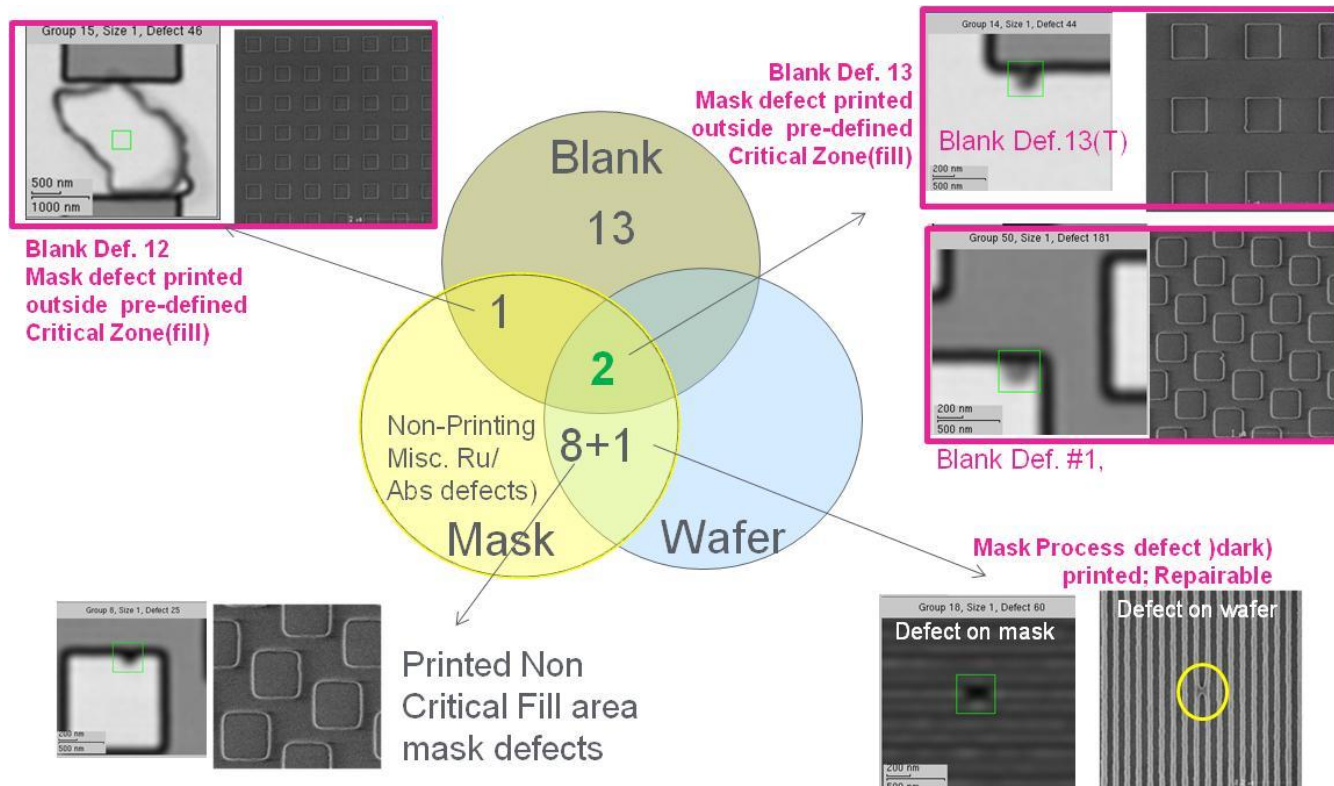
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Consensus Needed  
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# 20nm Integration Mask defect printability result

- Integration flows showing promising results for early confidence building but will not be sufficient For HVM
  - Blank Sorting vs layout
  - Blank orientation and pattern shift selection to hide blank defects under absorber (dark pattern) or fill region
  - Identify critical area for defect hiding on the layout
  - Printed without Repair; Only 1 repairable defect in critical area

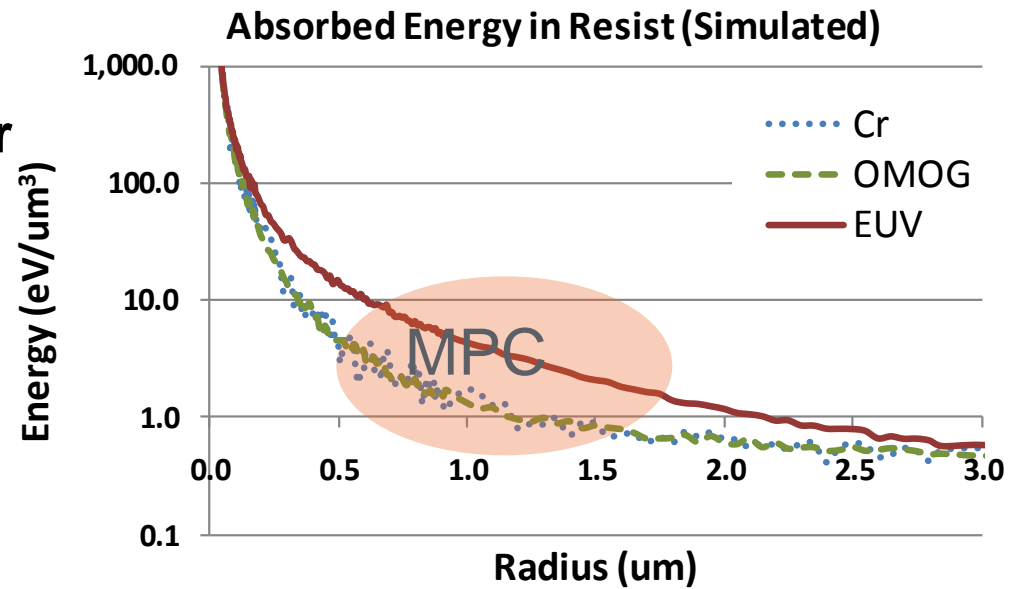




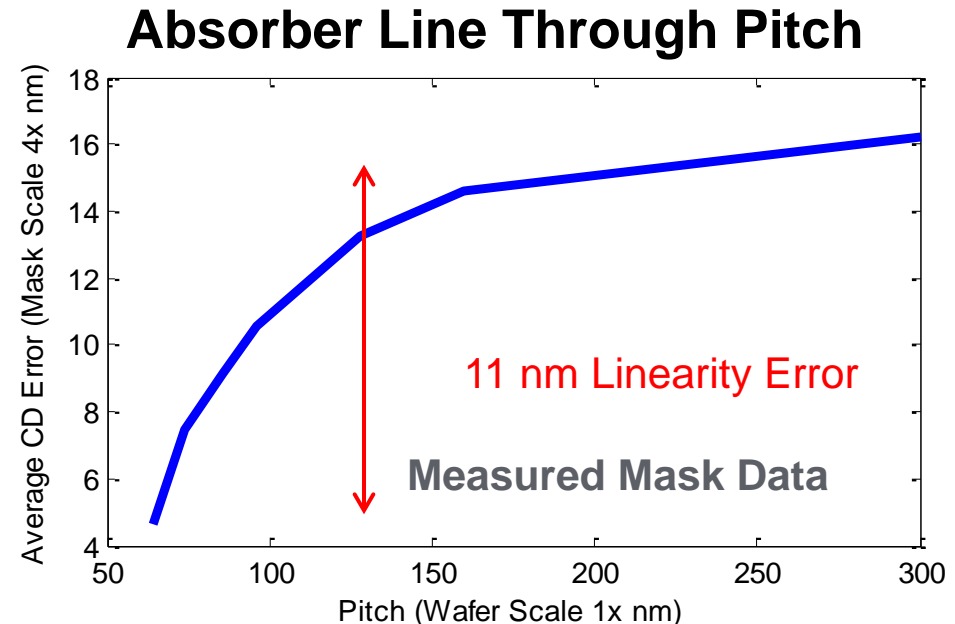
# Mask Making-MPC

## EUV Electron Backscatter

- Electron backscatter from EUV mask blank material large compared to DUV masks
- This causes short range variation in printing
  - Worst Case Example: Through pitch variation of absorber line
  - Variation MUCH larger than 0.3nm error allowance
- Not corrected by state of the art mask writers
- Not (explicitly) modeled in OPC



Monte Carlo Simulation Performed with PENELOPE

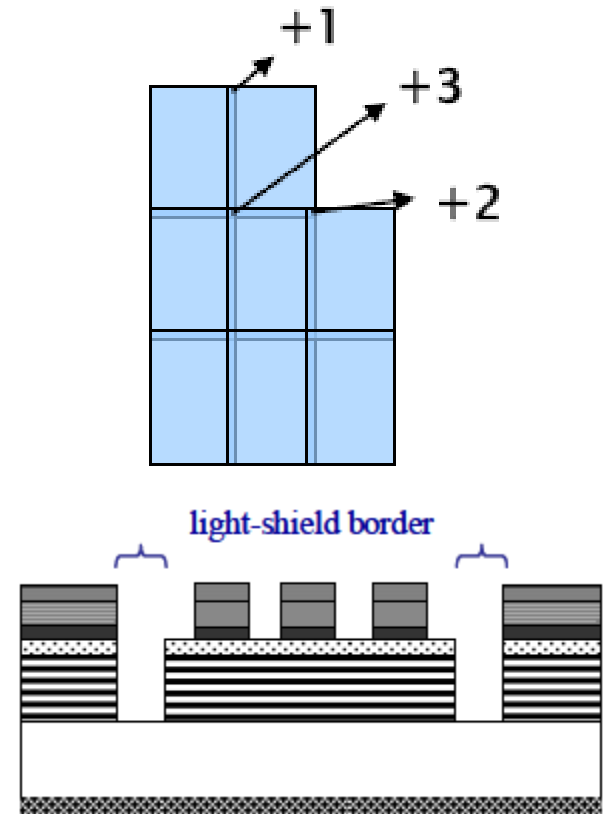
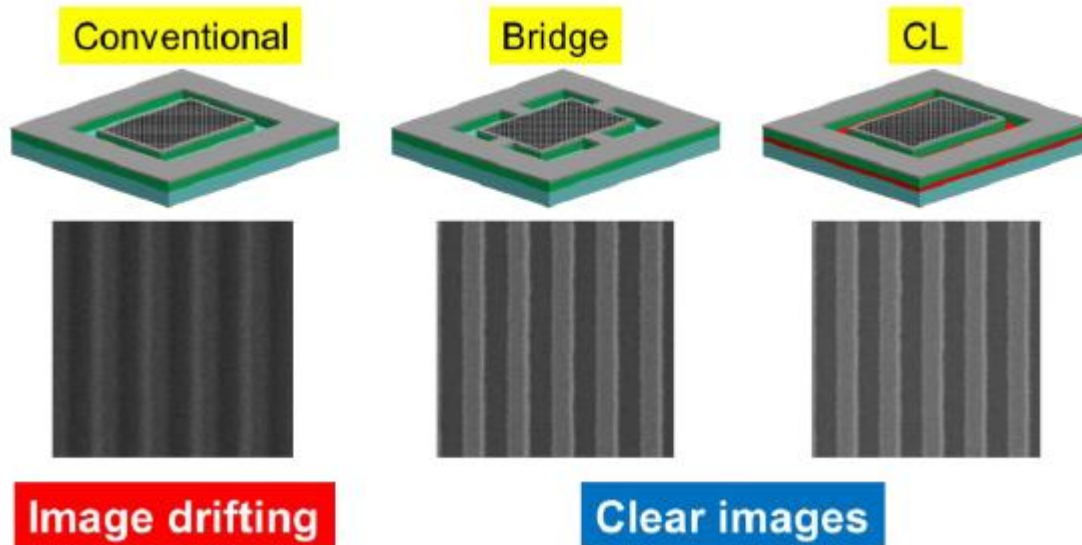






# Black Border-Added Challenges

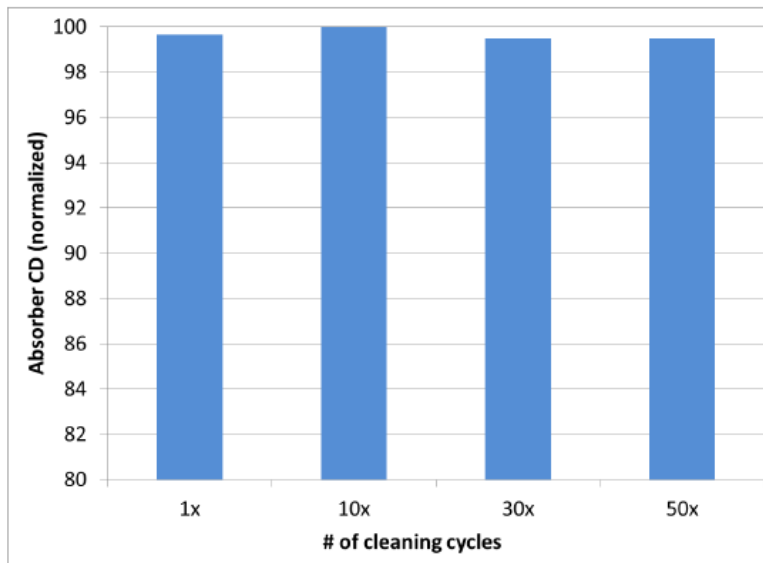
- Additional mask process steps - added Cycle time
- Impacts
  - Placement accuracy relative to die layout
  - Defect Inspection within BB area
  - Defect Inspection proximity to BB Area
  - Role of cleans for mask lifetime
  - Impact on CD Metrology (ESD/CD drift)





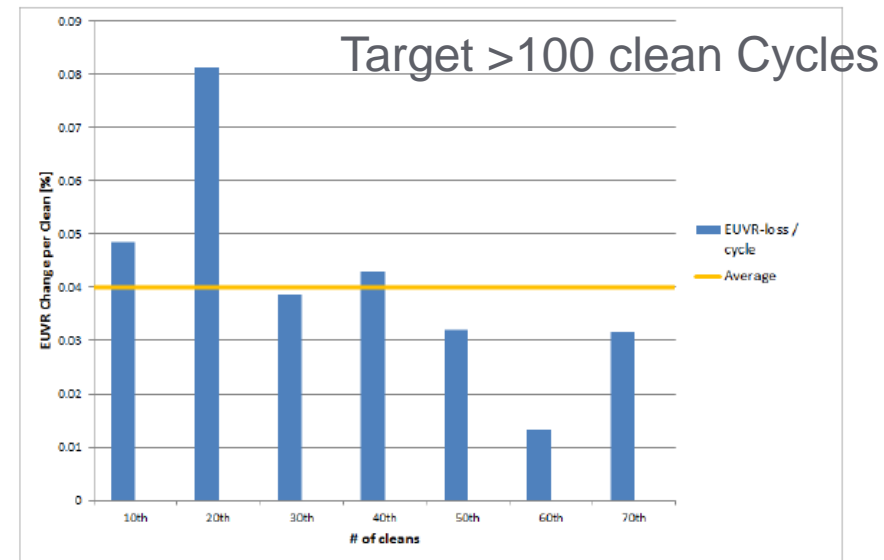
# Mask Cleans- Maximizing Lifetime is essential

50x Marathon Clean (Latest Data)



- + Mask CD shift at mask level is controlled within 0.15 Å per clean
- + No detectable impact on Mask CD Uniformity

70x Marathon Clean (Latest Data)



- + EUV Reflectivity is increasing throughout 70 cleaning cycles.
- + Average EUV Reflectivity increase is 0.04% per clean

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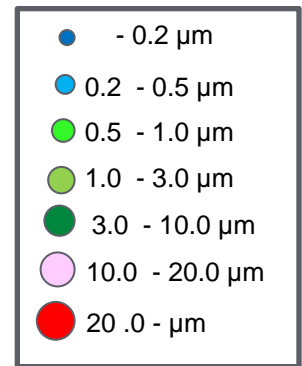
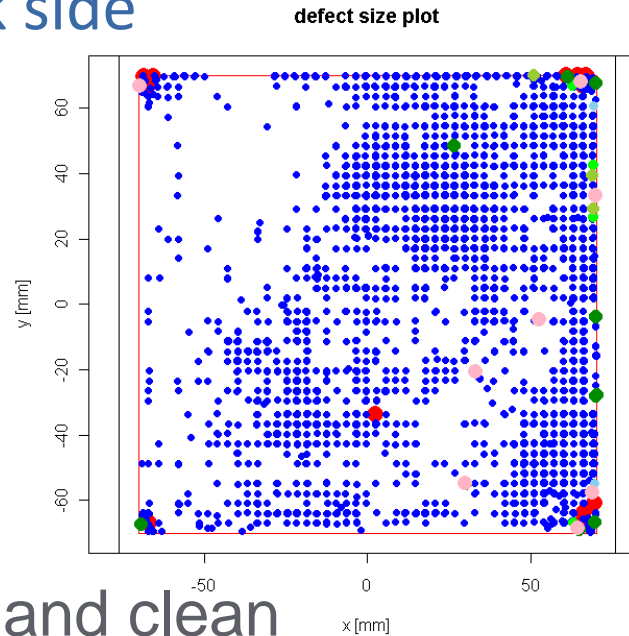
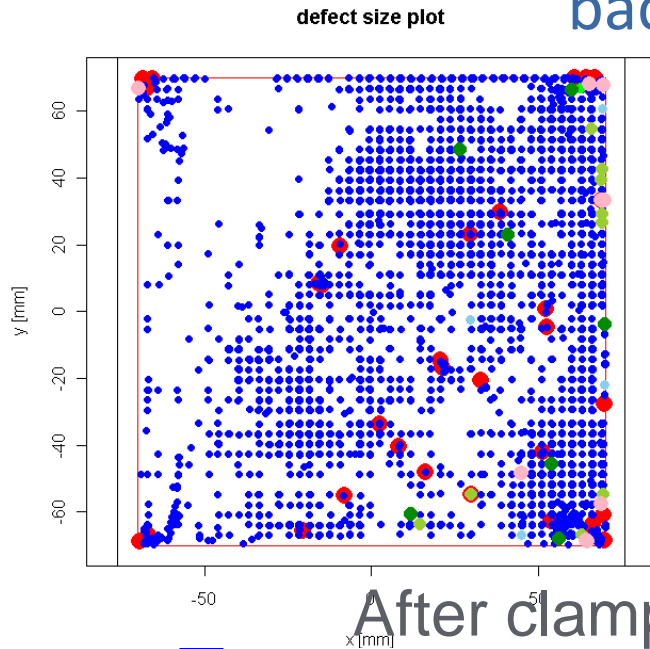
## ■ Opportunity for Dry Cleans to maximize lifetime

- Key Parameters: Ru Surface Roughness, Absorber Modification, Absorber CD control, EUV reflectivity, Front and Backside PRE

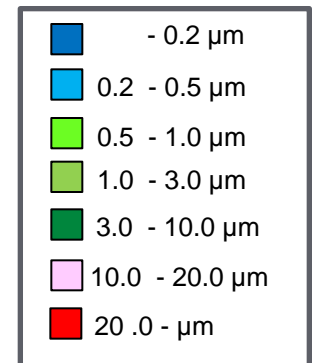
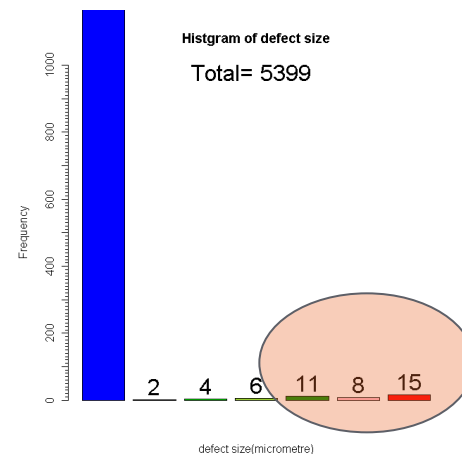
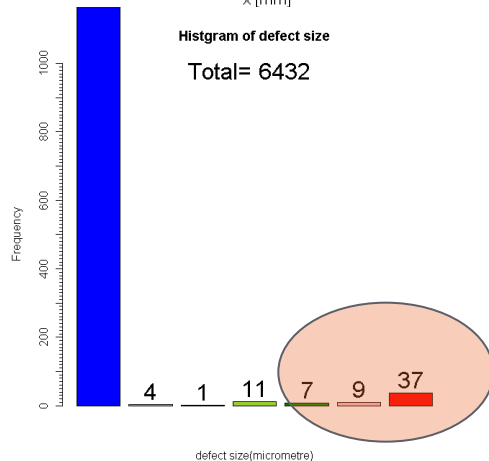


# Added Mask Lifetime Challenge-Back Side Mask Defectivity after exposure

back side



After clamp and clean

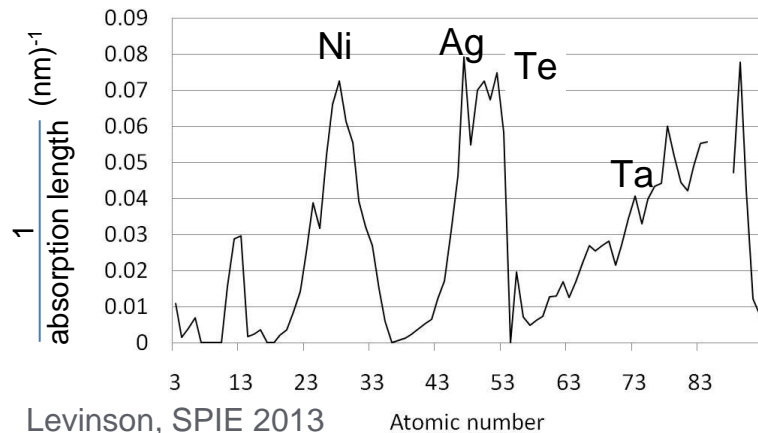




# New Opportunities-EUV masks

## ■ Thin absorber

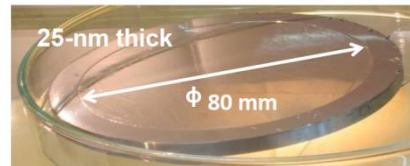
- Essential for EUV Extensibility
  - HV Bias, Telecentricity (PP)
- Meet all current absorber requirements inc.
  - Plasma etching
  - Cleaning, Inspection, Repair
  - Durability under exposure.



## ■ Pellicle development

- Significant progress shown
- Need full integrated solution
  - Adhesive, Outgassing
  - Frame definition
  - Inspection strategy...

EUV pellicle considered as backup with minimum transmission and imaging loss

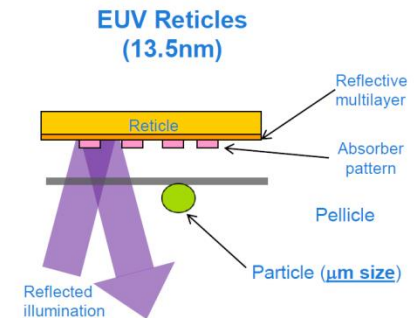


- Requirement: 90% transmission, 114x142 mm<sup>2</sup>
- Status: 87% transmission, φ 80 mm

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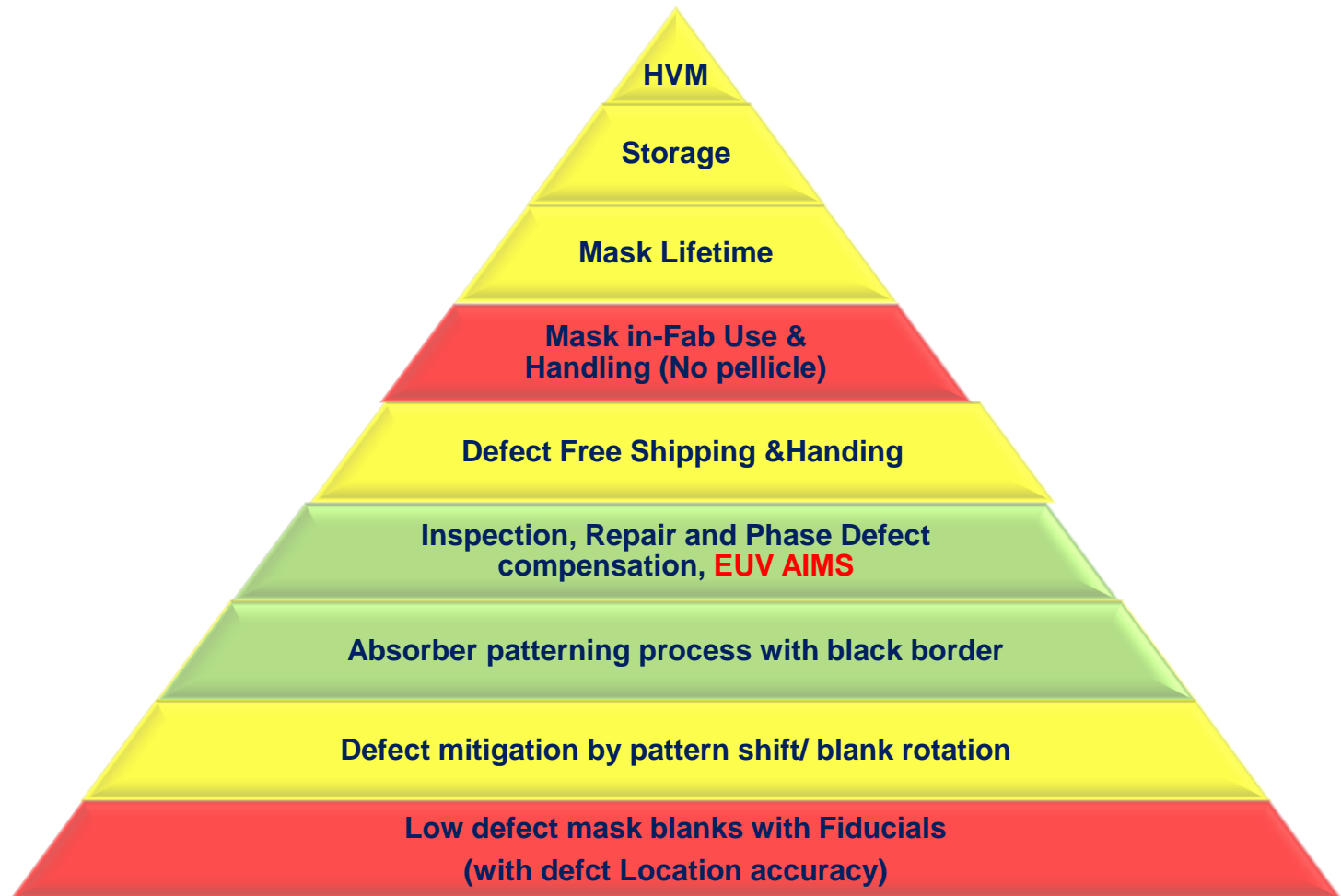
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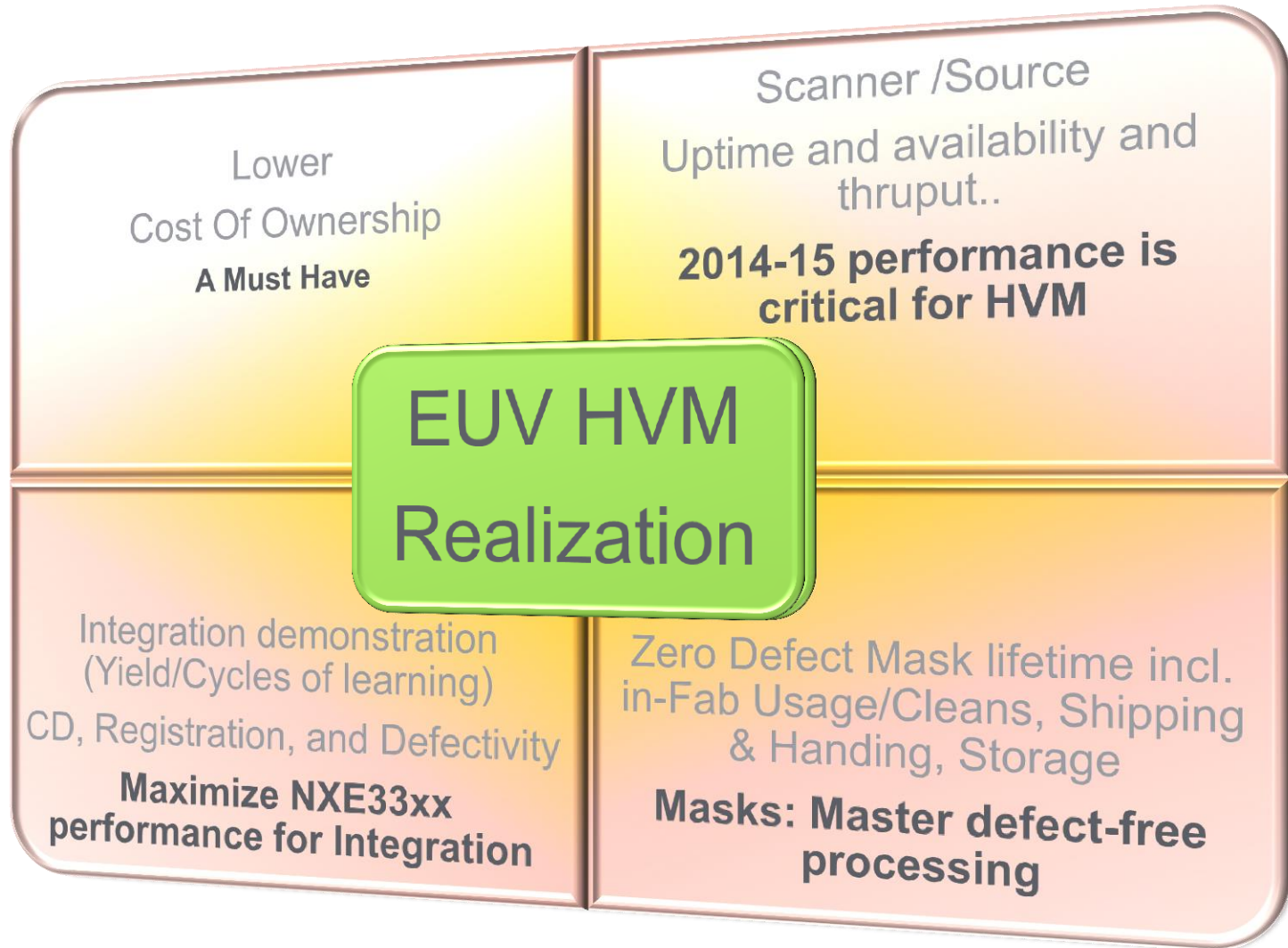
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# Summary





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